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F. A. HAZELAND,
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Magistracy, Hongkong, 8th September, 1902. [a2478]

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A. G. WARD,
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Hongkong, 16th September, 1902. [a2471]
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Hongkong, 19th September, 1902. [a2516]

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DEATH.
On the 21st September, at the Peak Hospital,
FABIAN DEMES, late officer of the Douanes et
Régies de l'Indo-Chine. [2337]

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VŒUX ROAD CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 23rd September, 1902.

The Canton correspondent of this paper, writing on the 18th inst., made reference to the Kong Hing syndicate of native merchants, who for two months past have been conducting an opium farm at Canton. This farm was established with the sanction of the Taungli Yamen, to allow the Viceroy to raise additional funds to enable him, it is said, to contribute his portion to the payment of the indemnity. The syndicate is composed of Singapore merchants and a compendious of a well-known foreign opium firm in Hongkong. We referred to the illegal taxation of opium a short time ago in our editorial columns, but we were not then in full possession of the facts. Our Canton correspondent is somewhat in error in his statement concerning the establishment of the syndicate, and what has occurred since its inception, and his deductions therefore cannot be accepted. An investigation of the matter has convinced us that the establishment of this farm at Canton is a flagrant breach of the Opium Convention on the part of the Chinese Government, and the existence of the farm is thereby illegal. This, however, is by no means its worst aspect, for there is ample evidence now to prove that China, apart from this instance, has deliberately and repeatedly allowed that Convention to be broken. It will be remembered that those who favoured the new treaty for the abolition of *lekin* persistently quoted the Opium Convention as the one striking tribute to China's good faith.

The Chafoo Convention and the Opium Convention provide that when foreign

opium has paid duty to the Imperial Chinese Customs, and has been packed and sealed in small packages for transmission, so long as these remain intact they are free to circulate all over China without any interference whatever. It is only after these packages have passed into the hands of the opium never reaches the hands of the public, but is prepared privately, it will readily be seen that the operation of this farm is a deliberate breach of the Convention.

The members of this syndicate, who have invested much money in their undertaking, have established a farm at Canton, and have been taxing the foreign drug after it had previously paid duty to the Customs. Their ambition has apparently been to rival the Hongkong farm and to create a wealthy monopoly. They have proposed that no merchant in Canton or the interior towns shall open an opium divan without the possession of a license from them, which shall be affixed to the door of his premises. Further, that the merchant undertakes under bond to pay them an additional tax for this privilege, the syndicate handing him a book with counterfeit in which are to be recorded his imports. The correspondent already alluded to points out that the attempted infliction of this measure has already caused trouble amongst the people, and the native merchants naturally resent it. It is obvious that the sole object of the syndicate is personal profit, tempted as they are by the enormous revenues of the Hongkong and Singapore farms, and that a wish on the score of humanity to lessen the consumption of the drug by additional taxation or a patriotic desire to raise funds for national motives does not enter into their calculations.

When this syndicate boldly commenced operations, the British consular officials at once strongly protested and advised their minister at Peking. He pointed out to the Chinese Government that the institution of the farm was a breach of the Convention and subsequent Agreements, and reported the matter to the Foreign Office. Our readers will be gratified to learn that for once during many years of its negotiations with the Chinese Government, the Foreign Office has sent an emphatic request that this farm shall be immediately dissolved, its existence being contrary to the treaties. In consequence of this display of firmness we have every reason to believe that the existence of this illegal venture will shortly terminate.

In discussing the new treaty with China, which provides for the abolition of *lekin*, the less sanguine of the British merchants have contrived to hope that China's promises with regard to the fulfilment of her obligations will be honestly carried out. The crux of the matter has been the question of guarantee as to that fulfilment, and the promoters of the new treaty have invariably cited the Opium Convention as an instance of China's loyalty to her obligations. It was perhaps the only treaty that could be cited for such a purpose. Here, however, we have an instance, where, within a few miles of Hongkong, the Chinese Government has deliberately broken that much quoted Convention. We can go further, and state that there is ample justification for believing that for years past Chinese merchants have been compelled to pay an additional tax and thereby illegal duty on foreign opium. The Shanghai records will yield many instances of such breaches. In the present case the probability is that the Chinese Government will bring pressure to bear on the guilds and merchants and, in lieu of the tax, make them, *sub rosa*, pay a voluntary subscription. We are compelled to estimate the prospects of the future from the experience of the past, and, while trusting that the British Government will firmly insist on China honestly fulfilling her treaty obligations in respect to the Opium Convention, we cannot but realise that this incident, together with China's long secret exactions from opium merchants, strengthens and justifies those fears that her obligations under the new treaty will not be loyally carried out.

The German mail of the 20th ult. was delivered in London on the 20th inst.

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Cricket Club will be held in the Pavilion at 5.15 this evening.

We notice that the reserve fund of the Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd., has been increased from 8,710,000 yen to 9,010,000 yen.

The visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum during last week were 190 non-Chinese and 77 Chinese to the former, and 42 non-Chinese and 1,963 Chinese to the latter institution.

The cases of communicable disease reported in the Colony last week were:—Cholera, 4 (3 Chinese, 1 Japanese), all fatal; diphtheria, 1 (European, at the Peak); enteric fever, 1 (Indian).

We are compelled to hold over correspondence again.

At Calcutta, on the 19th inst., the annual Rugby football match (England v. Scotland) ended in a pointless draw. There was a very large attendance.

The *Endymion*, cruiser, Captain A. W. Paget, arrived at Sheerness on the 19th ult., and carried out a steam trial, her machinery working satisfactorily after three years' service on China Stations.

Captain E. H. Bayly's appointment to the Dockyard Reserve at Chatham is a recognition of his services while in command of H.M.S. *Aurora* during the operations in China, and he will be able to remain at his new post until December, 1904.

Captain James, who went to England with the Weihsai Coronation contingent of the 1st Chinese, has been granted six months' leave, with instructions to report himself twenty days before expiration. This does not look as though he would rejoin the regiment, but will be drafted elsewhere on reduction of the force.

Owing to the discontinuance of the train service on the Chinese Eastern Railway, by reason of the cholera epidemic in Manchuria, Mrs. Archibald Little, who had intended returning to China via Siberia, was compelled to change her route. Mrs. Little left London on the 25th ult. for America, and proceeded by way of San Francisco.

In an article discussing the reluctance of the Japanese to conduct extensive Army manoeuvres before foreign observers a German writer, says the *United Service Gazette*, given it as his opinion that Japan wishes to avoid exposing to the world her weakness in several branches of the service, and notably in cavalry and artillery. In these two arms the Japanese army is, he asserts, by no means well found. The cavalry, including two independent brigades, can only muster 47 squadrons, and the artillery, owing to the poor quality of the tens of native horses, possesses but little mobility. The backbone of the Japanese army, the German writer concludes, is its infantry.

The Copenhagen correspondent of the *Daily Mail* having asserted that the matters in dispute between France and Siam have been settled, thanks to influence exerted from Copenhagen with the approval of the Tsar, and that there was reason to believe that Siam has made large territorial concessions to France, an official of the French Ministry for Foreign Affairs informed a representative of the *Patrie* that this statement "did not rest upon any serious basis, and added that France's position in regard to Siam had not changed. "How," said the official, "could Siam have agreed to grant us large territorial concessions even before her representatives and ours have met to discuss matters?"

The *Straits Times* writes:—A number of raised \$25 notes of the Netherlands Trading Co. are believed to be in circulation in Deli, and some have already been passed to and refused by the Chartered Bank there. The \$25 notes have been raised to \$100, and the change has been so skillfully effected that it requires an expert to detect the difference between the bad notes and the genuine ones. In fact the work is so well finished that it is believed it was done in Europe. The public are warned about the danger of accepting such notes. *Amoy* of the foregoing, the *Peking Gazette* advises \$500 reward for any information that will lead to the conviction of the guilty parties concerned in the circulation, at Peking, of certain forged notes on the Medan branch of the Netherlands Trading Co.

"It is said that the doom of the Sikh regiment at Hongkong has now definitely gone forth," writes a home paper. "It is to be disbanded as rapidly as possible, and will be replaced by a native regiment from India—probably by the 9th Gurkhas. It seems that a native regiment such as the Sikhs remaining in a fixed station 'stagnates,' and the general scheme is held to be a bad one. The regiment will, however, be continued until another battalion has been added to the Indian army. Major Beyer, Indian Staff Corps, has succeeded Lieut.-Colonel Batafiek in command of the Hongkongers. He is the last of the original officers who raised the corps in 1892, and much satisfaction is expressed at his selection for the command." We hear that the Hongkong Regiment will sail for India, on the 29th prox., by the *Arratoon* (237) (tons).

A farewell dinner was given yesterday at the Club Lusitano to Mr. H. Hyndman, an old and much respected Portuguese resident in this Colony, on the occasion of his departure from Hongkong to take up the post of Professor of the Commercial Institute at Macao. Mr. Hyndman was for many years in the employ of the China Sugar Refining Co., and for some time acted as Manager at the East Point Refinery. He also served the Company both at Manila and Swatow, and is much liked and respected by his numerous friends and every one with whom he had business relations. Mr. Hyndman left the service of the Company some years ago. At the dinner over fifty of his friends sat down, presided over by Mr. H. L. Noronha, who in an eloquent speech proposed the toast of the guest of the evening, wishing him every prosperity in his new post, which he is certain to occupy with credit both to himself and to the Government of Macao, who are fortunate in securing his services. Mr. Hyndman responded feelingly and thanked every one present for the honour conferred on him by asking him there for the dinner. The band of the 33rd Burma Infantry, by kind permission of the commanding officer and officers, was present and entertained the proceedings with a select programme of music.

The Russian battleship *Pobeda* was ordered to be ready to leave for the Far East on the 28th August.

Sir Thomas Jamieson Boyd, of Oliver & Boyd firm, died in Edinburgh last month. He was born in 1818, and was knighted by the late Queen Victoria at Holyrood on the occasion of the great Volunteer review in 1881, at which time he was Lord Provost of the City.

The U.S. Government will not oppose the projected lecturing tour of Aguinaldo, whom the Anti-Annexation Group are bringing over to America. Their object is to embarrass the Administration, but Aguinaldo is likely to do as much harm to his cause as anyone. It is thought, "There is considerable public curiosity to see him."

The *Prince Maritime* states that important reinforcements of French Colonial infantry and cavalry are to be despatched from Lorient to Indo-China at the end of this month, as the outbreak of a conflict between France and Siam is considered to be possible at any time. The first regiment of Colonial artillery at Lorient will furnish 335 non-commissioned officers and men.

Home papers received by the last mail state that Mrs. Isachsen, the Austrian lady swimmer, who has a record of forty miles swimming in the Danube, and who has made two creditable attempts to swim the Channel from Calais to Dover, had arrived at Dover with the object of making her third attempt, this time from the English side. She had been practising in the Danube throughout the winter, and was in excellent form. Her intention was to make trial swims in the Channel with a view to starting on the ebb tides at the end of August. Having gone fully into the tide question, she was of opinion that the Channel is only to be swum by taking Captain Webb's course from Dover to Calais.

The *London and China Express* writes:—"There seems to be no chance of saving the 1st Chinese Regiment. The authorities are determined on its extinction. It is gradually to be reduced by disbandment down to 300 men, and then this residue will be converted into a police force. The men are being discharged month by month, and the curious part is that it is the men who have done well; the men who have smelt fire; the men who did not flinch when they were threatened that all their relations should be murdered if they would not desert; who stood between an angry populace and their few white officers and sergeants, and who are the longest trained that are being turned away. It will probably be the lot of the Coronation contingent, who have just left on their return to Weihaiwei, that on their arrival at headquarters, they will speedily be dismissed. We can only repeat our regrets that the disbandment is being carried out; it seems a very mistaken idea that causes it." The *Express* has always been a strong supporter of the 1st Chinese Regiment.

The Chinese Government, having decided to appoint a European adviser to the Ministry of Mines, Mr. Wallace Broad, B.A., F.G.S., has been selected for that post through the Chinese Legation in London. Mr. Wallace Broad was born in St. John, Canada, and educated at the grammar school of his native town, and at the University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, was a graduate in honours and prizeman and gold medalist in natural sciences. He subsequently took the course in mining engineering at McGill University in Montreal. From 1877 to 1893 he was on the staff of the Geological Survey of Canada. From 1893 to 1894 he was engaged in engineering and in mining geological work, and in the latter year, went to South Africa. Mr. Broad was six years in Rhodesia acting as consulting engineer and mining geologist. He has recently returned from a six months' trip to the Gold Coast, West Africa, where he was engaged in the examination of an important mining concession. Mr. Broad has made a special study of ore deposits. He bears, the *L. & C. Express* says, a high reputation amongst leading mining engineers who knew him in South Africa, and the B.P. Syndicate for which he has recently been to West Africa was very anxious to retain his services to develop their property. There is little doubt that the Chinese Government has secured a good man—the only reserve is whether they have not got too good a one.

The following paragraph appeared last month in a home contemporary:—"Devoicing activity in a statesman may be a disadvantage to the State. Thus, M. Jules Ferry, whose energy unloosed some dangerous forces, hurried Japan into great naval and military preparation. He hoped, in pushing on the inland empire of the Farthest East, to create a well-armed enemy against China, with which he had gone to war. We now often read in the papers of the astonishing progress of the Japanese navy within the last twenty years. Few know that this acquisition of naval strength is due to M. Jules Ferry having lent the Japanese Government an eminent naval engineer connected with the Marine Ministry—namely, M. Bertin. He so well discharged his mission that on his return, after many years spent in Japan, his own Government rewarded him by placing him at the head of the technical section at the Ministry of Marine. M. Bertin is there director of Naval Constructors. He created most of the existing Japanese dockyards, ports, and arsenals, and obtained for French ship-builders orders from the Mikado's Government to build the fast cruisers and other vessels that enabled the Japanese to crush the Chinese fleet in the last war. If Japan is now the worst thorn in the side of the Russo-French alliance in the East, it is due to M. Bertin. This, surely, is a result on which M. Jules Ferry never reckoned."

Mr. B. Tower, His Majesty's Minister in Siam, arrived last month in London on leave of absence.

A Bill is being introduced immediately into the Cape Parliament prohibiting the introduction into the colony of Asiatics, other than British subjects.

Mr. Spakler, for many years the Netherland Consul at Penang, and at one time Acting Consul-General in Singapore, has been promoted to the rank of Consul-General.

The *Kellie*, the official organ of the Russian Navy Department, estimates the loss in the steamship service run in conjunction with the Chinese Eastern Railway at 2,500,000 roubles since the starting of the scheme about two years ago.

The Admiralty gave instructions for the second-class cruiser *Isis* to be manned by a complement of 321 officers and men when commissioned by Captain G. H. B. Mundy, on the 18th inst. for service as sea-going tender to the *Britannia*, training ship for naval cadets at Dartmouth. It is intended that fourth-term *Britannia* cadets shall be berthed on board the *Isis* and one of the first of the cadets will be a son of Sir Halliday Macartney.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

The Hongkong Football Club intends holding a Six-a-side Competition, which will commence on the 1st prox. The entry closes on 27th inst.

HONGKONG OUT OF QUARANTINE IN THE STRAITS.

We received last night from the Colonial Secretary's Office the following telegram from the Colonial Secretary, Singapore, to the Colonial Secretary, Hongkong, received 22nd September:—
"Hongkong released from quarantine."

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The Peninsular and Oriental steamer *Ballaarat* (2,890 tons), with the English mail of date 29th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, at 6 a.m., and is expected here on Friday, about the same time. Replies to letters forwarded per the French mail of 28th July are due here by this steamer.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

The members of "A" Machine Gun Co. held their monthly carbine competition at the 'Tai Hang' rifle-range on Saturday and Sunday inst. Sergt. E. G. Barrett scored his first win on the "Jackson" Cup and also contributed the best score towards the No. 2 Cup. Gunner G. Blood, a new recruit and a promising shot, won a Spoon.

The No. 2 Cup, presented by Mr. H. C. Wilcox, was won outright by Sergt. E. G. Barrett, who made the best aggregate in three out of four consecutive shoots, viz., 71, 60, and 68—236.

THE CORONATION CONTINGENT.

On the 19th ult., the China Coronation contingent, on their way to Liverpool, assembled at Euston from the Alexandra Palace, from Alder shot, and from Wellington Barracks, whence they left at 12 noon. All the detachments seemed in the best of spirits, and one and all spoke highly of the pleasant time they had spent in the old country. They cheered lustily as the train steamed out of the station.

We are courteously informed by the C. P. R. Co. that they are in receipt of telegraphic advice from Yokohama stating that the *Empress of China* arrived there at 8.30 a.m. yesterday, left at 3 p.m., and is due at Kobe at 3 p.m. to-day. This vessel has on board the Coronation contingent of Volunteers, and judging by her present movements, she should arrive in Hongkong on Tuesday morning next, 30th instant. The exact date will be advised later, when the ship leaves Shanghai.

A SPORTSMAN'S MISTAKE.

When out shooting, it is advisable always to hit what one aims at, and then only to bring down lawful game. Three Hongkong gentlemen went over to Kowloon City on Sunday morning to put a few snipe, if any were to be had, but the fates were against them, for the only thing that fell to their guns was a Chinaman digging potatoes in a garden. His lusty yells plainly showed that he had not been killed, or even seriously hurt, and, realising that they could do no good by waiting to make explanations, their knowledge of Chinese, for one thing, being probably as weak as any explanations they had to offer, they shouldered their fowling-pieces and made haste to quit the neighbourhood. In the meantime the Chinaman had gone to Kowloon City Police Station, and reported the matter to Sergeant Fenton, who promptly sent out men to cover all the roads leading from Kowloon City, and himself went along in the direction of the Sir Ferry in pursuit of the three sportsmen, whom he rightly judged would be making for Hongkong. At Hung Hom the sergeant was informed by a lakong that three Englishmen with fowling-pieces had passed that way twenty minutes ago. Jumping into a rickshaw—or, rather, as he is a heavy man, stepping carefully into one—Sergeant Fenton was driven to the ferry-wharf and arrived in time to prevent the men he was in search of from getting on board a launch that was just then discharging its passengers. He explained matters to them, and they in turn were good enough to admit that they had mistaken the Chinaman for a crow, and that they were very sorry indeed. On Sergeant Fenton's advice, they returned to Kowloon City, and for a few dollars made their peace with the Chinaman, whose brow and upper part of the body had been grazed by spent pellets.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

London, 20th September.

DEATH OF THE QUEEN OF THE BELGIANS.

The Queen of the Belgians has died at Spa from a sudden attack of the heart which seized her whilst at dinner. None of her family were present.

M. Th. Hamman, Belgian Consul for Hongkong and South China, yesterday informed us to the same effect, Her Majesty having died on the 19th inst. Queen Marie Henriette, who was born on the 23rd August, 1836, daughter of the late Archduke Joseph of Austria, married King Leopold on the 22nd August, 1835. Their Majesty had three daughters—Ed. D.P.

NEW SHIPPING LINE TO THE EAST.

A special telegram to the *Deutsche Japan Post* states that a new German shipping company has been started in New York under the firm of Amerikanische Asiatische Dampfschiff-fahrts-Gesellschaft. It is said that the company will run one steamer monthly from New York to Eastern Asia. This seems to refer to the new American-Asiatic line, which is certainly not German.

THE CHOLERA IN JAPAN.

During the twenty-four hours ending midnight on the 11th inst., 17 suspected and 7 genuine cases of cholera were reported in Kobe. The disease is spreading at Tadotsu, Kagawa prefecture. Up to the 11th inst. 31 cases were reported. Of this number 11 ended fatally. In the city of Yamaguchi the disease made its first appearance on the night of the 10th inst. when three cases occurred, two ending fatally. One of the patients was a fish vendor, and was attacked at the fish market. The market was accordingly closed and isolated.

A NEW CHINESE CRUISER.

The *Lui Hsing*, built to the order of the Chinese Government by the Kawasaki Dockyard Co., Kobe, was formally delivered to the representatives of the Chinese authorities on the 12th inst. Captain Myhr and officers and the principal officials of the dockyard were the only participants in the ceremony. Personally at the above mentioned hour the Dragon Flag was hoisted, amidst hearty cheers and good wishes for the future of the steamer. We (*Kobe Herald*) understand this was the very first time a foreign flag has ever been hoisted on a vessel built in Japan. The steamer was expected to sail for Shanghai on the 10th inst.

THE STRANDED STEAMER "OSLO."

A telegraphic despatch received in Japan from Captain Fredericksen, master of the steamer *Oslo*, which stranded recently on a reef about a mile off the village of Itozawa, in Okinawa-ken, Luchu Islands, says that the vessel is held fast in the centre and there is no hope of rescuing either vessel or cargo. The *Oslo* belongs to Messrs. Thorpe & Co., Shanghai, and has been engaged for many years in the Far Eastern trade. She was built in 1892, is of 777 tons, and has a displacement of 1,235 tons. Her crew consisted of twenty Chinese seamen and firemen and five Norwegians. The former have been sent to the Chinese Consul at Nagasaki, and the Norwegians were expected in Kobe. The *Oslo* was insured with the Widar Insurance Company. The Governor of Okinawa-ken rendered valuable assistance to the officers and crew of the stranded vessel and did all he could to help them.

HOUSE COLLAPSES.

A list of collapsed houses in Hongkong from 1st January till 3rd August, 1902, is published in the *Government Gazette*. The total number of collapses was 76, apportioned as follows:—Central District, 14; Eastern District, 4; Western District, 16; Cheungshan, 1; Aberdeen, 4; Shaokwan, 1; The Peak, 1; Taiwan-tai, 1; Pingshan, 1; Yau-mai, 10; Kowloon City, 1; Stanley, 10; Shatin, 6; Hung Hom, 1; Sai-kung, 1; Au-tai, 1; Tai-po, 1; Shantien, 1; Mongkok, 2; Shau-shui-po, 1. The collapses which resulted in fatal or other injuries to the person were as follows:—The "Pine," Peak Road, landslide, ooche quarters; 3 persons killed, 1 injured, 4 rescued; contractors not known. 10, Old-Bailly Street, side and cross walls; 2 persons injured, 2 rescued; architect, B. B. Barker; contractor, Leong Fat, building in course of erection; contractor died 31st May, 1902, for bad work. 37, Gough Street, collapse of cook-house; 1 killed; architects and contractors not known. 43, Queen's Road West, projecting brick cornice; 1 killed; architects and contractors not known. 43, Cross Street, back wall of kitchen; 1 injured; architects and contractors not known. 43, Praya East, roof, side and front wall to first floor level; 13 killed, 3 injured, 6 rescued; architects, Leigh and Orange; contractor, Mow Wo. 33, Nullah Lane, roof of kitchen collapsed; 1 injured; architects and contractors not known. 2 and 4, Eastern Street, party wall; 1 injured; architects, Palmer and Turner; contractor, Lin Wo; building in course of demolition. 56, First Street, cook-house; 1 killed; architects and contractors not known. 10 and 12, Second Street, party wall collapsed; 4 killed, 6 injured, 6 rescued; architects (for new story on No. 50), Daniels and Nam; contractors unknown. 30 and 32, Kowloon City Road, both collapsed; 10 killed, 5 injured, 5 rescued; architects, Leigh and Orange; contractor, Leong Cheong.

THE NEW KING EDWARD HOTEL.

The last of next month will see the formal inauguration of the King Edward Hotel, which promises to be one of the finest and best appointed institutions of its kind in the Far East. This building, which is so soon to be opened, will eventually form an annex to the large Hotel now being erected on the west side of Ice House Street. It occupies a very favourable position as regards the Harbour and the business centre of the City. Considering that the block is not long out of the builder's hands, the speed with which the furnishing of the Hotel has been pushed on is surprising, and it redounds to the credit of the management that the establishment is now so near completion. The Hotel has the advantage of being housed in a splendid building and it is not saying too much to aver that the interior is well worthy the fine outward appearance which the structure presents. From Des Vaux Road, entrance is obtained through the main door to the ground floor. The entrance hall is handsomely fitted up and decorated with palms. To the right and left respectively are the bar and billiard room; directly in front is the dining-room. This is a spacious apartment, well lighted and ventilated and capable of accommodating nearly 200 persons. Its dimensions are 57 feet by 40 feet. The first objects to attract the eye when one enters are two large oil paintings, 9 feet 6 inches by 7 feet 6 inches, of the King and Queen, one at each end of the room. The chiffoons and side-boards are of massive design in oak-wood. Electric fans are provided, and the apartment is lighted by electricity, as is the whole building throughout. There is a pleasing diversity in the shape and size of the tables, so as to suit the grouping of dining parties. Handsome curtains drape the windows. Opening off the dining-room is the pantry, fitted up with a steam table and all the necessary accessories, including a hot-water supply for washing purposes. Beneath the pantry are the grill-room and pastry-room. The kitchen is entirely separate from the Hotel, connecting by a covered way with the grill-room, and is fitted with all the latest cooking paraphernalia. The range is a patent capable of cooking for 600 people; it was obtained from England through Messrs. Leigh & Orange, the architects of the building. In the kitchen is placed the boiler which supplies hot water to the entire Hotel. The whole of the ground floor is floored, fitted and paneled in wax-polished oak, and each room has one or more fire-places with carved oak mantels and tiled stoves.

To return to the entrance hall, which is 23 feet by 12 feet, paved with encaustic tiles, paneled in polished oak, and approached by a flight of granite steps, there is on the left side the billiard-room. It is 30 feet by 25 feet and contains two tables—two a Burroughs & Watts' and the other a John Roberts'. The appointments are of the most complete description, for billiards, pool, pyramids, etc. Lounges and easy-chairs are placed around the room, and the lighting, ventilation and furnishings generally are all that the most fastidious could desire. Indeed, with regard to the billiard-room and to the lounge bar on the opposite side of the hall, corresponding to it in size and situation, it may be mentioned that they are more after the style of a first-class club than of a hotel, and we understand that it is the intention of the manager, Mr. Wm. Farmer, to keep them carefully select. The bar is to be handsomely furnished with lounges, leather-seated arm-chairs, and small tables scattered about, with pretty curtains on the windows, electric fans, etc. At one corner of the room a spiral staircase leads down to the lavatory. Also on this floor are store-rooms and the wine cellar. Special lavatories are provided in connection with the dining-room. Off the entrance hall are a ladies' waiting-room with writing materials, speaking tubes to each floor of the Hotel, and the manager's office. Above the office and pantry two rooms have been fitted up for the convenience of the Mercantile Marine. These will no doubt be very appreciated by the class of patrons for whom they have been provided, and there can be to question that they will supply a long-felt want in Hongkong. They will contain barometers, thermometers and the latest meteorological reports, also desks for writing and current literature concerning the Mercantile Marine. On occasion, these apartments can be used as dining-rooms. Electric fans and lights are fitted throughout.

On the Ice House Street frontage is situated the entrance which gives access to the electric hoist, connecting with the upper floors. Here an information clerk will always be stationed, and here will be placed the registry board with "in" and "out" slips. On each flat at the entrance is a glass-paned room with electric indicators connecting with the various rooms; and here a "boy" will be on duty at all times.

On the first, second, and third floors the building contains upwards of 40 bed-rooms, each 27 feet by 18 feet, the majority opening on to wide verandahs next Ice House Street and Des Vaux Road, with polished marble floors. These bed-rooms have polished teak floors, paneled ceilings and carved teak mantels with modern slow combustion stoves and tiled hearths; many are provided with doors to enable two or more rooms to be let en suite. They are approached by a curved teak staircase 8 feet wide, and the electric lift. There is ample bath and lavatory accommodation on each floor, with separate rooms for ladies. Hot and cold water is laid on to the whole building, and electric light provided throughout. The upper floors are carried over the large spans of the billiard and dining-rooms on steel girders and cast-iron ornamental columns made in England. All the windows are made to open their full height from the floor to secure ample circulation of air. The whole of the

ground floor, all the verandahs, floors of servants' quarters, lavatories, bath-rooms and kitchens are constructed in steel and cement concrete; there is also a separate fire-proof stone staircase from top to bottom of the lavatory block. The lavatories, etc., are grouped in one spot and separated from the other portions of the Hotel by lobbies on each floor.

The furnishing of the bed-rooms has been carried out with much taste. Different schemes of colour have been employed in the various apartments and with the happiest harmonizing effect. Each bed-room is lighted by a double pendant with 32-candle-power lamps and a portable standard lamp, and is fitted with a movable electric fan; while on each verandah also is a portable light. The upholstery, carpets and fittings generally are of excellent quality and very pretty. On the verandahs are placed lounges and rattan chairs. On stepping from the lift and entering the corridor on the first floor one finds oneself in a handsomely furnished sitting-room ranged with writing-desks, carpeted with Brussels, draped with art muslin curtains, and decorated with ferns and greenery. Opening off this is a very pretty drawing-room laid with an Axminster carpet and containing a piano and all the accessories of such a chamber. This in turn opens upon a spacious verandah 47 feet long. The ladies of Hongkong will be pleased to learn that this is to be specially suited to the delights of afternoon tea, and they will doubtless thank Mr. Farmer for providing them with a suitable place of call when fatigued by shopping in the City. On the roof is a promenade running the whole length of the building, some 400 feet; this should be particularly acceptable as a rendezvous after dinner, and especially so when it is understood that it is intended to have bands there in the evenings regularly.

Patrons of the Hotel can trust to the experienced management of Mr. Farmer in the matter of comfort and attention. An excellent menu can be confidently expected from such an able "host," and it may be whispered that already a wine-list has been drawn up which will stand comparison with almost any and is said by connoisseurs to be easily the most select in these parts. The furniture has been made locally by A. Chee & Co. and Li Kwong Loong, Shanghai. The cutlery and crockery for the dining-room, the curtains, etc., have been ordered through Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co., and are of the best possible quality. The cutlery is of the "Pompa" brand and the crockery is stamped with the name of the Hotel.

When completed, the Hotel proper on the west side of Ice House Street will contain 46 bed-rooms, 28 feet by 15 feet; dining-room, 46 feet by 36 feet; drawing-room communicating, 45 feet by 25 feet; billiard-room, 58 feet by 55 feet, with three tables; reading-room, 30 feet by 25 feet; hall, 45 feet by 15 feet; and ladies' office, lavatory, kitchen and bath-room accommodation.

Messrs. Leigh and Orange are the architects of the building, the beauty and substantiality of which does them great credit.

OUR COMING THEATRICAL VISITORS.

Mr. R. D. Kinnmond, personal manager for Mr. Daniel Frawley of the Neill-Frawley Company, arrived in Hongkong yesterday from Manila to prepare the way for the rest of the troupe, who are expected on the Korea on the 29th inst. So far as has been arranged, the Company will play *The Secret Service* at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, on the 30th inst., and will give another performance, possibly of *Lord and Lady Alby*, on the following night. After that they proceed to Manila for a season of twelve weeks. They expect to be back in Hongkong in January for a short season, the duration of which depends on their reception on the 30th inst. There should not, however, be any doubt as to this reception, as the cast appearing in *The Secret Service* is the same that played on behalf of Mr. Frawley at the Grand Opera House, San Francisco—certainly not an undiscriminating audience. The repertoire of the Company includes 24 plays in all, and they carry their own scenery. Of the latter no less than 63 tons were carried down to Manila with Mr. Kinnmond. The mounting for *The Secret Service* is being taken with the Company, which gave a representation at Honolulu and expected to give another at Yokohama.

The Neill-Frawley Co.'s arrival will be anxiously looked forward to in Hongkong.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. steamer *Baltic* left Singapore for this port on the 21st inst., at 6 a.m., with the outward English mails; and is due here on the 26th inst., at about 8 a.m.

The Imperial German mail steamer *P. R. Ludwig* left Kobe via Nagasaki, Shanghai and Pootung on the 21st inst., p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 1st prox.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Hamburg*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 2nd inst., left Colombo on the 21st inst., p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 2nd prox.

The O. & O. steamer *Gaelic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 3rd inst., via Honolulu, &c., leaves Yokohama via Inland Sea, &c., for this port this morning.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Yokohama at 8 a.m. on the 22nd inst., and left again at 3 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 3 p.m., to-day.

The C.P.R. steamer *Athenian* arrived at Kobe at 6 a.m. on the 21st inst., and left again at 5 p.m. same day, via Nagasaki, for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 5 a.m. on the 25th inst.

The C.P.R. steamer *Tartar* left Yokohama on the 20th inst., p.m., for Victoria and Vancouver.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Yamato Maru* (Australian Line) left Manila for this port on the 21st inst., and is expected here to-day.

POLICE COURT.

Monday, 22nd September.

BLOOMER MR. F. A. HAZLEND (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

TABLE-BOYS AS GAMBLERS.

Lance-Sergeants Kerr and Eerner on Sunday raided a gaming-house at 33-35, Des Vaux Road where they had reason to believe that gambling was carried on. They found sixteen Chinamen, all employees of the Hongkong Hotel Company, risking their money at games of chance.

All of them were arrested and subsequently fined five dollars each.

ASSAULTING THE POLICE.

A private in the Royal Welsh Fusiliers got drunk on Sunday night, and signalled the event by causing a disturbance in the public street and assaulting the Indian constable who essayed to point out to him the error of his way.

His jollification cost the defendant five dollars.

DUMPING A DEAD BODY.

A coolie was caught by practical experience that it is cheaper to procure a permit and bury a dead body in the orthodox way than to dump it in the public street. On Saturday night a coolie observed the coolies in question carrying a basket in a manner that excited the suspicions of the constable. He stopped the coolie and enquired as to the nature of the contents of the basket. For answer, the latter laid his burden on the ground, evidently to satisfy the justifiable curiosity of the Indian constable. The coolie, however, took to his heels and left the latter to carry out his investigations alone. The coolie, however, decided to postpone his enquiries till a more fitting occasion, and set off in pursuit of the decaying corpse, whom he eventually caught. Subsequently the basket was found to contain the dead body of a child. On the coolie's person, when he was searched at the Central Police Station, was found a sum of forty dollars, the amount conjectured to have been paid for disposing of the corpse.

His Worship decided to allow the defendant no profit from his unlawful transaction, and fined him in this amount.

OUTLAW AND THIEF.

A Chinaman was arrested in the street at Lamait on Saturday night by a linky who recognised him as an old offender previously deported from the Colony. On being searched at the station he was found to be in possession of a number of pawn-tickets for articles of jewelry stolen from a dwelling-house at 48, First Street, West Point, in the month of June last. The jewelry was recovered from the various pawn-shops in which it had been pledged and identified by the owner, a Chinese married woman.

The defendant was sentenced to a year's hard labour for returning from banishment, and to three months' hard labour for the larceny of the jewelry, both sentences to be concurrent.

RIGIDIOUS SAILOR.

A stoker on the *Cressy* pleaded guilty to being drunk and disorderly on the public street on Sunday night, and was fined five dollars. The defendant created a "diversion" in the charge-room of the Central when he was taken by the two European constables who arrested him, and to quieten him the services of four policemen had to be requisitioned.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THE RICKSHA-COOLIE AGAIN.

Mr. White, the vergor of St. John's Cathedral, summoned a ricksha-coolie for refusing legal hire when disengaged. The defendant, needless to say, pleaded not guilty.

The complainant said a number of the vehicles were standing at the junction of Murray and Queen's Roads, but instead of accommodating him with the use of one, all the coolies picked up their rickshas and ran away. Complainant caught the defendant and took him to No. 2 Police Station, Wanai.

The defendant, Mr. White, explained to his Worship that it was impossible for a civilian to get a ricksha where there was a prospect of the coolie picking up a drunken sailor, the defendant was fined ten dollars.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S CROWN.

The magnificent crown worn by the Queen, and specially designed and manufactured for the Coronation, was composed entirely of diamonds, all of which are mounted in silver settings, this being the only metal completely displaying the beauty and brilliancy of fine stones, gold being alone used on the inner and hidden portions of the mounting, for the sake of lightness and strength. The circlet, unopposed in effect by that of any existing crown, is 1½ inches in width, and is entirely encircled by brilliant of the finest water. These diamonds, varying in size from one, specially fine in colour, weighing nearly 1½ carats down to those of the smallest dimensions, necessary to carry out the design, are of the most perfect cutting, and are placed as closely together as possible throughout. This method, technically called pavé setting, is adopted so that no metal is visible, and renders the entire circlet one blaze of light. This strikingly rich band supports four large *crosses-pates* and four large *feurs-de-lis* of light and elegant design, which, placed alternately, enclose the purple silk velvet lining of the crown. The *crosses-pates* display the priceless Koh-i-noor, the grand and unique feature of the crown. Three very large diamonds of extraordinary lustre occupy the centres of the other *crosses-pates*. Eight graceful arches curving inwards spring from the *crosses* and *feurs-de-lis*, each arch being composed of three rows of diamonds in illusion setting, the central row being of very large stones, whilst smaller ones afford an excellent contrast by a result also taken into consideration by making the arches from the *feurs-de-lis* slightly less wide than those which spring from the *crosses*. The arches converge towards the centre and there unite in supporting an orb encrusted with diamonds, set in the same manner as the circlet. This is surmounted in turn by a *cross-pate* of large diamonds arranged to show equally well on both sides, and with its edges set with small diamonds. The total number of stones used is 2,639. By special command the crown was constructed as lightly as possible—an immense advantage when in use. Every effort experience and skill could dictate has resulted in keeping the entire weight down to only 22½ oz. 15 dwts., a result never before attained.

A Japan contemporary writes:—"An exhibition of calves will be opened to-morrow in the Suyo district of Hyogo prefecture. That this does not refer to a dancing entertainment is shown by the next sentence—"The Chief Judge of the show, Dr. Suzuki, veterinary surgeon to the Hyogo Kencho, has proceeded there to attend the opening ceremony."

LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA CABLE.

SOUTH AFRICAN AFFAIRS.

DISORDER IN WESTERN SOUTH AFRICA.

A band of sixty Damara and Kaffir are roaming in the extreme north-west of the Karharard district close to the German border, looting and committing outrages. An expedition is being organised. It is understood that the German authorities will co-operate.

FIGURES OF THE WAR.

A Blue-book issued states that the total troops during the war were 418,435, of which 317,159 were from Home, 18,534 from India, and 30,388 from the Colonies; 52,414 were raised in South Africa; 518 officers and 5,256 men were killed; 1,851 officers and 20,978 men were wounded; and 554 officers and 15,915 men died of wounds and disease.

BIG CAPE PROGRAMME.

In the Cape Assembly Sir Gordon Sprigg has introduced four new bills, the first for a loan of £2,750,000 for improving the harbours of Table Bay, Port Elizabeth, East London and Oseel Bay; the second for the construction of irrigation works; the third for the construction, equipment, and maintenance of certain railways; and the fourth for a loan of £7,616,277 for additional railway works.

MADIES IN RHODESIA.

An outbreak of rabies having occurred in Rhodesia, all dogs and hyenas are to be destroyed. THE BORNS AND THEIR LEADERS.

It is stated that the Boer leaders are preparing a Manifesto to their compatriots, discouraging the proposed emigration to Madagascar, and insisting on the necessity of conserving the Dutch element in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony.

REPARATION.

The repatriation of burghers to farms in the Orange River Colony is proceeding steadily, but owing to the impossibility of feeding the animals in consequence of the dryness of the veldt, this year's harvest will be lost, and it is feared that the Government will have to continue the gigantic task of rationing the whole of the farming population until May.

GENERAL NEWS.

SIR IAN HAMILTON.

General Ian Hamilton resumes his position as Military Secretary to Lord Roberts at the War Office, on their return from Germany.

PRINCE VICTOR DUBOIS.

Prince Victor Dubois Singh has been brought into the Bankruptcy Court on a money-lending claim of £335.

GENERAL SMITH-DORRIS'S WEDDING.

Major-General Horace Lockwood Smith-Dorrien, F.R.G.S., D.S.O., was married to Miss Schneider on Wednesday.

THE U.S. TARIFF.

The Federal Court at Boston has decided that in tariff-law "value" means "market value." Indian imports are dutiable at nineteen cents per rupee, not thirty-two as hitherto imposed.

INDIAN VICEROY ON APPROACHING DUEBARI.

The Viceroy, in opening the Legislative Council yesterday, made a long and spirited speech regarding the Delhi Durbar. He announced that the King-Emperor had deputed the Duke of Connaught to visit Delhi, and the Prince of Wales to come later. He also announced that all the expenses of the Indian guests and of the Indian Contingents to England will be borne by the British Government. He gave an emphatic denial to rumours that he would resign office after the Delhi Durbar. He expects to finish his work in India.

In the course of his speech, Lord Curzon also stated that the assembly at Delhi, in 1877, was almost exclusively official, but it is intended to gather at the impending Durbar the representatives of all leading classes in the community from every part of India. "I want," said His Excellency, "to make it a celebration not of officials alone, but of the public. This means that we shall have at Delhi, in the forthcoming winter, larger camps and more guests, and, as a consequence, greater outlay than in 1877, but I desire to assure the public who have a right to know, that the proposed arrangements are being run on strictly business-like and economical lines."

COMMENT BY LONDON JOURNAL.

Considerable interest is being taken in London in Lord Curzon's speech at the Supreme Legislative Council on Friday. The *Standard* welcomes the contradiction of the rumours regarding His Excellency's resignation. The *Daily Chronicle* warmly eulogises Lord Curzon, and accepts His Excellency's defence of the outlay on the Delhi Durbar.

THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNOR-GENERALSHIP.

The rumour that Lord George Hamilton succeeds Lord Hopetoun as Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia is based on a hint thrown out by the *Times* that the selection should fall on a statesman with large and ripe experience, but without a large fortune.

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33 to 1 " " *Prince Florisel*
50 to 1 " " *Concor*

HOME CRICKET.

The match Surrey v. Leicester was drawn. Surrey beat Warwickshire by ten wickets.

The match Australia v. C.I. Thornton's England Eleven has been drawn.

LORD KITCHENER'S VICE.

Lord Kitchener presented medals to the Yeomanry at Welshpool yesterday. He urged the desirability of young men joining the Army and training under soldiers who had had experience in the recent war; and so be prepared for any national emergency.

TURKEY AND RUSSIA.

Russia insists on the Porte granting permission for the four torpedo-boats to pass the Dardanelles, for which permission was refused. It is expected that the Porte will appeal to the Powers.

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Unrest in Government circles at Constantinople, regarding the Russian torpedo-boat

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
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of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for
the past year, and for the transaction of
general business, will be held in the CITY
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DAVID WOOD,
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Hongkong, 22nd September, 1902. [2521]

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SPORT AND ANECDOTE.

BY AN OLD FOGEY.

ENGLAND AND AUSTRALIA AT THE WICKET.

The test matches have long since been com-
pleted, and the eleventh colonial team of
cricketers will soon be leaving England for the
most recently acquired portion of the empire,
South Africa, a land which our Australian
kith and kin have helped us to wrest from the
Boers, who are now no longer our enemies but
our fellow-subjects. It would be a glorious
achievement if the Australians could by force
of example really imbue the Dutch burghers
and the Afrikaners with a real love for the
noble game, which has such civilising ten-
dencies, such power to appeal to human
sympathies, and such infinite possibilities. Of
course there is one great drawback to the
cultivation of this recreation in the land of the
veldt, because as I understand from several of
our leading cricketers who have visited Cape
Colony and the Transvaal, there are no grass
wickets to be had, and every match has to be
played on oocoon-matting. The Colonists
have been guaranteed \$200 for the tour.
They will play six matches, two at Cape Town,
two at Johannesburg, one at Durban, and one
at Pretoria or Kimberley. Of course there are
plenty of English-born cricketers in this
country and even some Dutchmen. There were
both races represented in the South African
team which visited England in 1901, and I re-
member reading in the *Ceylon Times* an in-
teresting account of a cricket match played at
Colombo, between a number of colts and the
Boer prisoners of war. Indeed two of the
prisoners, J. Schoepers and G. Kotze, made very
excellent scores, and if I am not mis-informed,
the brother of this same Kotze was the fast
bowler to the South African team in England last
year. President Kruger never encouraged any
English games, and when the English cricketers
were last in what were then his dominions Mr.
Pelham Warner, and other members of the team,
called on Oom Paul early one morning,
but he declined to visit the cricket
match, and appeared to regard the game
with some suspicion. Still, one of his grandsons,
Tgart Kruger, was very fond of the game indeed,
and I should say that there is just a possibility
of cricket tending to cement the Empire out in
those climates. The visit of the Australians is
sure to do much good, and I cannot possibly
say, how it can effect any harm. But I am
afraid that I have wandered from the subject
which I intended to dilate upon, i.e. the respec-
tive merits of English and Australian cricket,
from the point of view of one who has watched
nearly every ball in the five test matches, and
many other games in which Darling and his
men have taken part this season. At this date
it would be ancient history were I to dwell upon
the really marvellous triumph of the English
players at Kensington Oval, where the Mother
Country proved the winners by one wicket in
a match which was even more sensational than
that at Manchester when England lost by three
runs. To my mind the result of the game at
Kensington Oval decisively demolished all ideas
as to the decadence of English cricket, for in
that game the eleven captained by Mr. A. C.
MacLaren won under most extraordinary diffi-
culties. Think for a moment of those combi-
nations. Darling won the toss, and his men made
such a fine score on a good wicket that England
had to struggle desperately hard on a pitch
affected by rain to prevent being compelled to
follow their innings. Having extricated them-
selves from this difficulty they disposed of the
Colonists for the second time for the smallest
total in the match, so that clearly under
difficult circumstances they were not so strong
as England. But even with their comparative
failure on the second day they left England
the task of compiling 203. This represents
a long journey, and when England lost five
wickets for 48 runs they seemed plung-
ing into the abyss of despair. But it was at
this point that England showed her power.
No one but a genius could have played such
a remarkable innings as Mr. Gilbert L.
Jessop, who hit 164 from 79 balls in 75 minutes.
The Australians had never believed that he was
a cricketer at all, but they were convinced of
his phenomenal powers to punish the best
bowling under the most heart-breaking circum-
stances. In thirty years' experience of cricket
I never saw such a terrific slaughter of good
bowling. Jessop might have been great Jove
hurting his thunderbolts. From the Australian
point of view it was the innings of an
Iconoclast, who was shattering Colonial idols
and ideals. The quick brain, the splendid
vision, the daring heart, and the strong arm of
Jessop made all things possible, and the work
which he began was consummated by the self-
possession and the skill of two Yorkshiremen,
George Hirst and Wilfrid Rhodes, who both
came from the little village of Kirkstall,
near Huddersfield. I may be a base sceptic,
but I cannot believe that the Australian team
under the same circumstances, had the positions
been reversed, could possibly have won, and
that is why I feel, despite the result of the
rubber, that the old country has still the finer
cricketers.

THE COLONIALS CRITICISED.

If one comes to think over the matter for a
few minutes it will be recognised at once that
the Australians have no better like Jessop. And
I should honestly say that on the form of this
season such men as John Saunders, Jim Kelly,
Bill Bower, Ernest Jones, Hanson Carter,
Albert Hopkins, Warwick Armstrong, Sidney
Gregory, and Reggie Duff are, after all, merely
a collection of mediocrities in their circle as
first-class cricketers. They may be good medi-
ocrities, but there are plenty of men in England
quite their equal, if not their superior, from a
collective point of view. Whence, then, do the
Australians obtain their power? If one were
to pick an eleven to represent the world it would

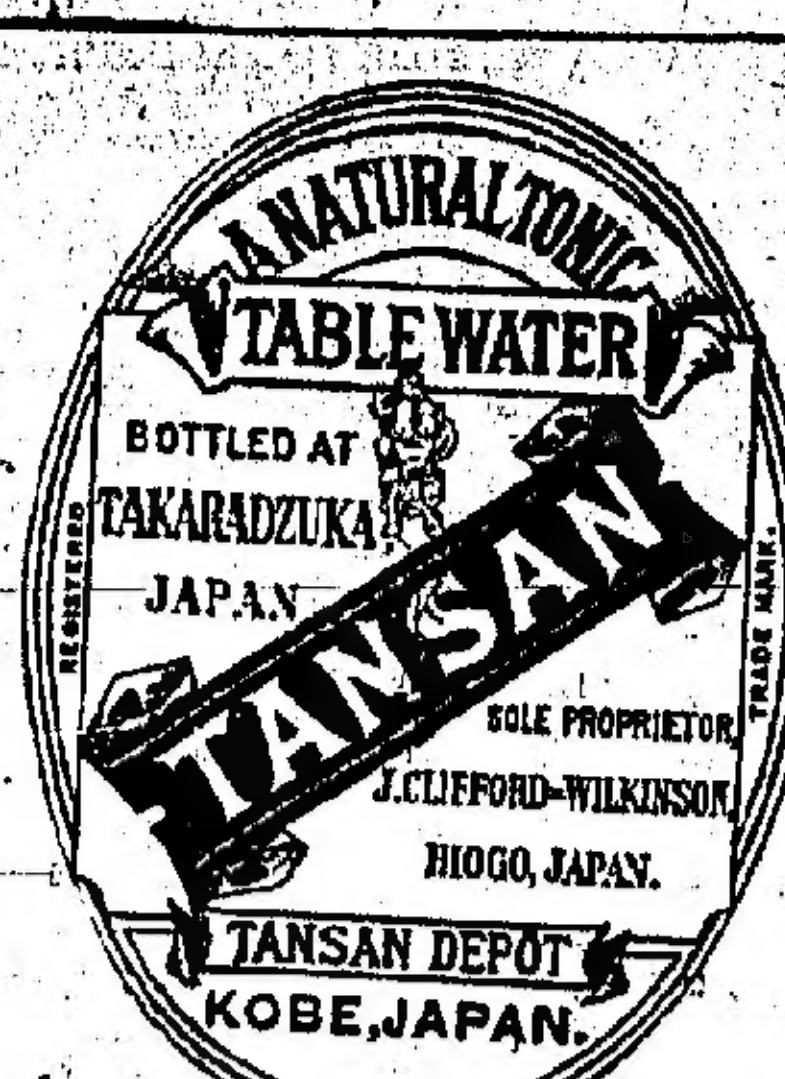
be impossible to omit Victor Trumper, the most
graceful and glorious run-getter of the day.
Nor could one leave out Hugh Trumble, the
bowler whose accuracy, artifice, and ability com-
bined respect on all wickets either here in Eng-
land or in the land of the Golden Fleece. There
was a time when it would have been impossible
to exclude Clem Hill, Joe Darling, and Montagu
Noble from a world's eleven, but it is doubtful
if they would gain their places now. Hill hits
harder than ever, but his defence is not so solid.
Darling is undoubtedly a tip-top captain—a
skipper of few words, but weighty words. He
is not the batsman he was in 1899, and can
hardly expect to be, after going out of cricket
into sheep-farming. Noble has the strongest
claim of the three, for he is a good bowler as
well as a fine bat, and yet there are as good if
not better in our own ranks. The present Aus-
tralian amalgamation derives its great force
from the presence of Trumble and Trumper, and
above all from the magnificent fielding which
as a body they almost invariably show. They
are in this department of the game miles ahead
of all English teams. Now fielding is, after all,
three parts of the game of cricket, and no section
of the sport of cricket is so abominably neg-
lected in this country. Fielding is the essence
of cricket; too much attention is in these days
given to nothing but practice at the nets. The
Australians are not "little mounds of earth"
who go to sleep whilst standing under the sun;
they are awake, they are vigilant, they are alert
and possess an intelligent anticipation of the
probabilities of a batsman's stroke. If you
take up that most interesting book, *The
Cricket Field*, by the Rev. James Pycroft,
it will be found that he opens Chapter X,
his hints on fielding, by declaring that the
essence of good fielding is to start before the
ball is hit. But I fancy I hear someone say,
"How can a man start before the ball is hit
when he does not know what stroke the batsman
will play?" Just so, but if the fieldsmen are
watching he sees the kind of ball which is sent
up, the pose of the batsman and the change of
his feet. If a batsman moves his feet in certain
directions, the ball is certain to travel on pretty
well-known lines. Of course, there may be a
miss-hit, there may be a change of stroke, but
it is the business of the fielder to try and tell
beforehand what is going to happen. I once
heard a great goalkeeper say to an opposing
forward, "Yes, you beat me, because you
changed your foot; you were going to shoot
with your left, but you shot with your right,
and hence I was deceived." Now in the same
way the tip-top fieldsmen use his power of
observation, and I think it is here that the
Australians are in advance of us; they are
far better fielders. They are trained on per-
fect wickets, so perfect in their own country
that they cannot afford to miss catches,
or they would never get their opponents out.
If all catches were taken in English cricket
there would be very few centuries scored and few
matches drawn. I would even go the length of
saying that fine, accurate fielding makes even
weak bowling strong, and when it supports such
bowling as the Colonists possess, their attack
becomes exceedingly powerful. Collective cricket
is the best cricket, and he is the best bowler who
remembers that there are ten other men waiting
to get the batsman out as well as himself. These
are the points in which England is behind, and
I really think that the time has come when the
captains of all countries should insist upon sys-
tematic fielding practice. Taking Trumble away
we have quite as good bowlers as the Australians,
although we have no one his equal, but our
bowling lacks support, and hence all these long
innings and tears. "*Facile Princeps*" should be
the crest of Victor Trumper, but beyond him we
have no lack of batsmen, and batsmen of infi-
nitely superior style to the majority of the Aus-
tralians. In my opinion the present colonial cricket
team has shown nothing like the commanding
abilities of the 1882 and 1884 teams. Where
have they a bowler except Trumble of the abili-
ties and moral force of F. R. Spofforth, whom
we all remember as the "Demon." Prob-
ably he was the greatest bowler at least of all
modern times, and we shall never forget his
bowling at the Oval in the Test match of 1882.
Then, again, take George Palmer, who could
break a ball on the finest wickets. Nor should
we forget Harry Hoyle, who was as good a
length bowler as Trumble. Again, what great
names salute our ears when we mention William
Marshall, Hugh Massie, Tom Horan, Percy
McDonnell, George Bonner, and Sammy
Jones. These men were members of the Aus-
tralian teams of 1892 and 1894, and I ask with
all due respect to the latter-day representatives
of Australia where are their successors, to
say nothing of their equals? From my re-
marks it will be gathered that I do not think
at present the eleventh Australian cricket team
anything like so powerful as those of the early
eighties, for they certainly possessed a man who
stood entirely by himself in the person of Jack
Blackham. They have won the rubber in this
Coronation year of 1902, but England ought to
have won at Manchester. I do hope that be-
fore the Australians visit us again we shall
have made up our minds to play every test
match out to a legitimate conclusion. If this
had been done this season I incline to the
opinion that we should have been first and
Australia second.

London, 23rd August.

GRACA & CO., Importers and Exporters.

of Foreign and Colonial POSTAGE
STAMPS, 53, Peel Street, Hongkong, have
just received for sale at their stall at Hongkong
Hotel Corridor a large variety of nice Pictorial
Post Card Albums, Pictorial Post Cards—
Panoramas of Hongkong, Macao, Canton,
Chinese Costumes, Views, &c., &c., in Photo-
type and Coloured Colotype. A assortment of Postage
Stamp Albums, Lanes, Hinges, Tweezer and
other Philatelic goods. Prices to suit all
Customers. Correspondents wanted. Foreign
orders promptly attended to. Cash with order
or 1st class reference.

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INFERIOR IMITATIONS

of this Water, bottled by unprincipled Japanese,
are being constantly palmed off for
THE GENUINE ARTICLE.

An impatient and fraudulent imitation of
the genuine TANSAN is now on the market
bearing the name of YAMAGUCHI & CO.,
Hirogo. These imitations are unpalatable and
in many cases positively dangerous.

The PUBLIC are cautioned to SEE that the
LABEL BEARS THE NAME

OF THE

SOLE PROPRIETOR:

J. CLIFFORD-WILKINSON,

Kobe, Japan.

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COALS.

HEAD OFFICE—43, SAKAKOTO-CHO, TOKYO.

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151 N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongkong.

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INSURANCES.

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COM-
PANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.

INCORPORATED 1851.

Cash Security \$25,719

Total Losses Paid \$2,769,240

THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are pre-
pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at
Current Rates.

WM. MEYERINK & CO.
Agents,
Hongkong, 22nd July, 1902. [1427]

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON.

FOUNDED 1710.

The Undersigned, having been appointed
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pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at
Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.
Agents,
Hongkong, 16th May, 1902. [2]

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are pre-
pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at
Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.
Agents,
Hongkong, 16th Novem. 1892. [25]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1901,
£15,722,603

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £3,000,000 0 0

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 2,750,000 0 0

PAID-UP CAPITAL 687,500 0 0

II. FUND 2,985,548 5 2

The Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are pre-
pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at
Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
Agents,
Hongkong, 1st July, 1902. [1796]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, AGENTS of the above
Company are PREPARED to ACCEPT First
Class Marine and Chinese Risks at Current
Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.
Agents,
Hongkong, 29th May 1895. [27]

THE LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ASSETS EXCEED TEN MILLIONS STERLING.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LD.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 22nd September.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 1st October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 10th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DEUCALION"	On 16th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCLOS"	On 24th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"STENTOR"	On 30th October.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"DIOMEDES"	On 20th September.
LONDON	"NESTOR"	On 14th October.
LONDON	"ACHILLES"	On 24th October.
LONDON	"MENELAUS"	On 11th November.
LONDON	"AGAMEMNON"	On 25th November.
LIVERPOOL Direct	"MACHAON"	On 20th October.

The S.S. "ACHILLES" left Singapore on the 17th inst., at daylight, and is due here on the 22nd inst.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 18th September, 1902.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LD.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KAISOW"	On 19th September.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	On 2nd October.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS	"RYSON"	On 2nd October.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA		

The S.S. "KAISOW" left Singapore on the 14th inst. for this port and is due on the 19th inst.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1902.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI and CHINKIANG	"WHAMPOA"	On 23rd September.
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	On 23rd September.
SHANGHAI	"HANYANG"	On 23rd September.
HOLO and CEBU	"KAIFONG"	On 26th September.
AMOY, SAMARANG and SOERABAYA	"NANCHANG"	On 27th September.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BERTHANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	On 29th September.
NIENHSIN	"HUPEH"	On 30th September.
KOBE	"TAIYUAN"	On 4th October.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

* Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

* See Special Advertisement.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1902.

OSAKA SHOEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	DATE
TAMSWI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJI MARU"	SUNDAY, 28th September.
TAMSWI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJI MARU"	SUNDAY, 5th October.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"ANPING MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 24th September.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"MAIDZU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 1st October.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for first-class passengers, and a fully qualified doctor is carried.

All Steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mail, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveys, and are registered at the highest class at Lloyd's.

Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.

By the Co.'s Steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading are issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply to Company's local Branch Office at No. 2, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong, 23rd September, 1902.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON, THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERAMBANG, GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship.

"BENGAL,"

Captain A. L. Vasey carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 27th September, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuable cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1902.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"HUDSON," About 5th October.

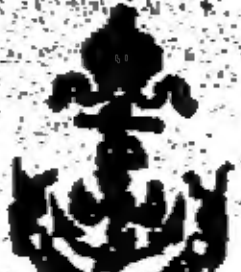
For Freight and other information, apply to—

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

Oriental Shipping Department, Agents.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1902.

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AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE & BOMBAY.
(In close connection with the Company's accelerated line to Trieste.)

THE Company's Steamship.

"TIROL,"

Captain Berthold, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 25th inst., p.m.

The Steamer has special accommodation for Passengers. Electric Light, and carries a Doctor.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER WIELER & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1902.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

HONGKONG TO SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE VIA USUAL AUSTRALIAN PORTS OF CALL.

AVERAGE LENGTH OF VOYAGE TO SYDNEY 20 DAYS.

Saloon Passengers carried at SPECIALLY REDUCED RATES, particulars of which can be obtained on application to the Underwriter.

NEXT SAILINGS.

"CHINGTU" leaves on 28th September

"TAIYUAN" " " 24th October.

"TSINAN" " " 15th November.

"CHANGSHA" " " 8th December.

Superior accommodation amidships. Electric Light throughout. Fitted with Refrigerators which ensure a fresh supply of food and provisions during the entire voyage. Duly qualified European Surgeons carried.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1902.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.'S NEW YORK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship.

"AFTON,"

Captain Macgregor, will be despatched for the above port on TUESDAY, the 30th inst.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th September, 1902.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE (Calling at Timor, Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship.

"EASTERN,"

Captain Ellis, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 2nd October, at NOON.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th September, 1902.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTES FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 6th October, 1902, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "OCEANEN," Captain Rèmes, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s.s. *Armand Behic*, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that port on the 18th October, direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m., on the 5th October. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1902.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in China and Japan for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

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(Chinese Daily Press).

PUBLISHED DAILY.

is the oldest and still immeasurably the best medium for Advertising among the Native Community.

Established for nearly FORTY YEARS circulates largely throughout Southern China, Indo-China, etc.

Terms for Advertising (Translations free) can be obtained at the Office, 14, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong, 131, Fleet Street, London or from the different Agents.

Documents translated from or into Chinese or Colloquial Chinese.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"BEGOVIA,"

Captain Förl, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, To-day, the 19th inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th inst. at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 19th September, 1902.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PREUSSSEN,"

OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 6 P.M. To-day, the 17th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 24th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 23rd, and THURSDAY, the 25th inst. at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 28th September, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th September, 1902.

THE RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"MANCHURIA,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees are required to sign a General Average Bond and make the necessary deposit for contribution to General Average before delivery of Cargo can be taken.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 A.M. To-morrow, 18th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th September will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 25th September at 9 A.M.

All claims must reach us before the 30th September, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th September, 1902.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"KAISOW,"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., in both cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 29th instant.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

Goods undelivered after the 26th inst. will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 26th inst.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th September, 1902.

APIOL & STEEL PILLS

A Remedy for all Irritations of the Digestive Tract.

Prepared by L. S. WATSON & CO., L. H. HONGKONG.

MARTIN, Chemist, SOUTH BRIDGE STREET.

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GENUINE NATURAL MINERAL WATER SPRINGS OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT

HOPITAL Diseases of the Stomach

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CELESTINS, Gout, Gravel, Diabetes

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with the natural salts extracted from the Waters

COMPRIMES VICHY-ETAT

Allowing any one to prepare himself

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HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Alacrity, despatch-boat, 1,700 tons, 6 guns, 8,500 h.p. Comdr. S. E. Erskine, at Weihaiwei.

Albatross, battleship, 12,950 tons, 16 guns, Capt. Thomas H. M. Terran, at Weihaiwei.

Algerine, sloop, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p. Comdr. Rowland Nugent, Straits.

Amphitrite, 1st class cruiser, 11,000 tons, 18,000 h.p. Capt. Charles Windham, C.V.O., at Hongkong.

Arcturion, cruiser, 4,300 tons, 10 guns, 5,000 h.p. Capt. J. S. Smith, Straits.

Argonaut, 1st class cruiser, 11,000 tons, 16 guns, Capt. G. H. Cherry, R.N., at Weihaiwei.

Bismarck, 1st class cruiser, 9,000 tons, 12 guns, 21,411 h.p. Capt. F. G. Stopford, at Hongkong.

Bramble, gunboat, 710 tons, 6 guns, 1,300 h.p. Lieut. Comdr. F. M. Leake, at Sinho.

Britannia, gunboat, 710 tons, 6 guns, 1,300 h.p. Lieut. Comdr. Thos. D. Pratt, at Weihaiwei.

Cressy, cruiser, 12,000 tons, 14 guns, 21,000 h.p. Capt. Henry M. T. Tuley, at Hongkong.

Eclipse, cruiser, 5,600 tons, 11 guns, Captain Stokes, at Weihaiwei.

Espingale, gunboat, 1,070 tons, 10 guns, Comdr. Ernest G. Barton, at Hankow.

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